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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

Response and Amendment (14 pgs.);

Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg.);

Check No. 17730 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the Extension Fee;

Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.14 (1 pg.);

Check No. 17731 in the amount of \$385.00; and

Return postcard.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 23239-201 NATL). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE is being filed in response to the final Office Action (Paper No. 14) mailed on August 26, 2003 in the above-identified application. The additional elements required for the RCE are listed below:

- 1. Response and Amendment to August 26, 2003 final Office Action (14 pgs.)
- 2. Check No.17731 in the amount of \$385.00;
- 3. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (1 pg.)
- 4. Check No. 17730 in the amount of \$55.00;

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-201 NATL. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

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